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in view of the article "Carlyle closer to Verizon purchase", i hope this will not pressure the PUC to hasten their decision in this requested buy out. as of this date we have not had any dialogue with the new company regarding our benefits and their future outlook for us. their representative had said in our 1-hour hourly presentation that they would "mirror" our benefits and had made committments of dialoging with the employees ongoing, but as of this day, nothing!

now if this is the type of follow through and confidence they want us as employees to give, they will not get much support. as of this date, there are many frustrated employees who are in the supposing arena (meaning trying to guess what the new company will solidly offer) and are choosing to retire instead of sticking around and waiting for the results, if any.

we are committed people. we are going to stay and live here. this is our life but to have uncertainties in our employment and our financial stability is frustrating. all we are asking is for a fair shake from the new company to its employees. we dont want to have empty promises and then only a few get gain from the many.

some of our employees (hourly and management) will be transferring to the mainland Verizon in fear of their jobs if they stay around with the new company. now this is as sad as when our children relocate to the mainland or stay on the mainland after college to get a better job.

all we are asking is to be informed and if this is too much to ask since it will affect us directly and nothing is done, then Auwe to our shield of defense and representation....